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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 07040.0054-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of: )  
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Riccardo CESARINI et al. )  
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Application Serial No.: 10/679,357 ) Group Art Unit: 1733  
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Filed: October 7, 2003 ) Examiner: Maki, Steven D.  
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For: HIGH PERFORMANCE TIRE ) Confirmation No.: 3867  
FOR VEHICLES )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING**


Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 41.47(b), Appellant requests an oral hearing.  
This request is timely since it is made within two-months of the mailing date of the  
Examiner's Answer on March 19, 2008.

The required fee of \$ 1,030.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(3) is concurrently  
filed. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and charge any  
additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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